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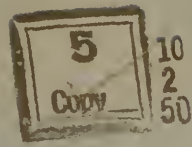
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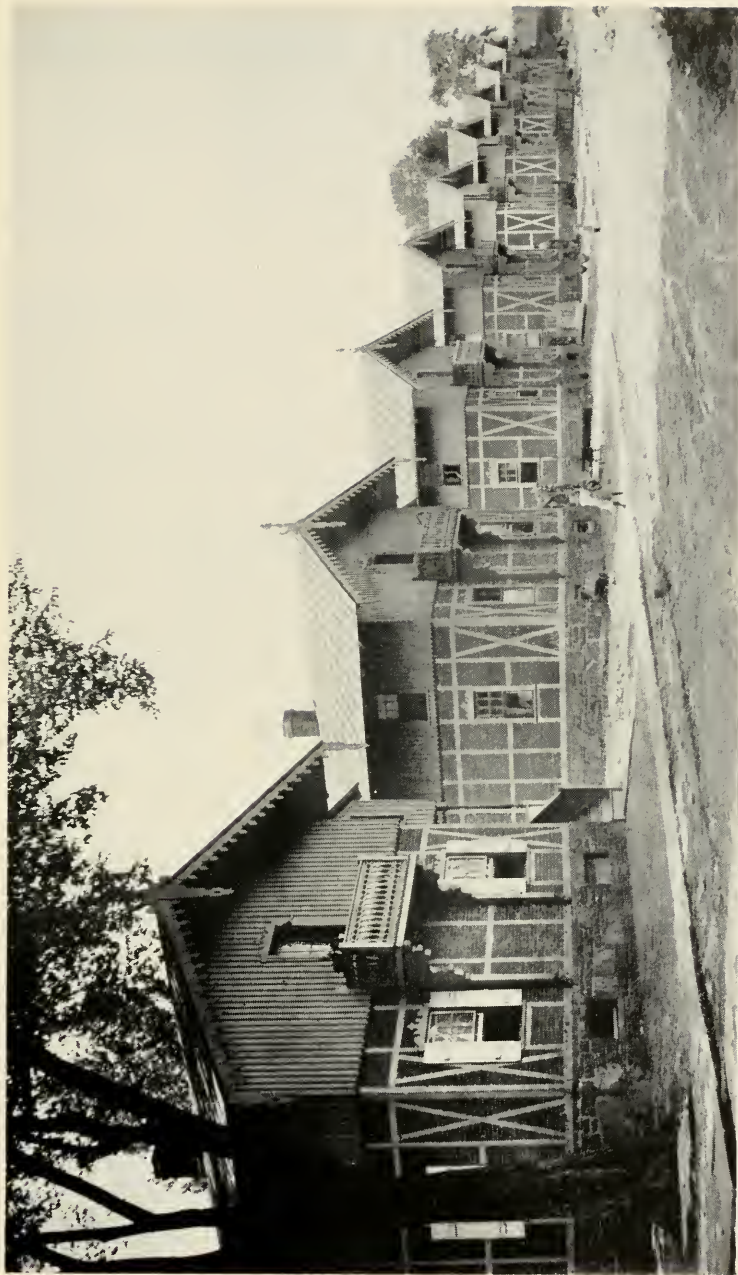
Report of President

THE river-front of Hartford, beginning with the settlement by Dutch traders in 1623, is replete with history. Here were the homes of the early aristocracy and the business houses of the English settlers. Security from the Spring freshets offered by the higher land a short way to the west, seemingly did not offset the advantages of the location nearer the river, selected by them. Years later, one of the most prominent industries of the city located in the South Meadow, protected itself from the annual inundations, and remains with us today, dry and prosperous.

Colonel Samuel Colt was born in Hartford on July 19, 1814, a son of Christopher Colt who was a manufacturer at Ware, Massachusetts. At the age of ten Colonel Colt was working in his father's factory. When sixteen years of age, he went to sea, and two years later he went on a lecture tour demonstrating the use of nitrous oxide, which was then known as laughing gas. His restless and inquiring mind reached into chemistry and various inventions. It was during this period that he developed his submarine battery, laid a submarine telegraph line along the south side of Long Island to Fire Island Light, and made models of what was to be the Colt revolver. This young man, at the age of twenty-two, founded a company in 1836 to manufacture his revolver at Paterson, New Jersey. The capital of the company was \$300,000. This venture was beset with financial difficulties, and was short-lived. His revolver had proved successful, but the volume of orders was insufficient to keep the company alive. In 1847 a government order for one thousand revolvers led him to resume the manufacture of his revolver. Arrangements were made to do this at Whitneyville in New Haven, but the following year found him located in Hartford in a small building on the north side of Pearl Street, not far west from Trumbull Street. After a few years, Colonel Colt selected the location, and made the early plans of the great factory which we have today. An area of some two hundred acres in the South Meadow was to be re-claimed and enclosed by a dyke which would be nearly two miles long. The memory of the great floods of 1692 and 1801 and the current one of 1854 failed to discourage him. His plan was universally criticised, but he stuck to his guns. If the city would pay for it, he stated, "I will agree to dyke the Connecticut River from one end of the city to the other so that nothing less

than Noah's flood can reach the houses which are now inundated. The circulation of the river in this city is not such a blessing that we ought to incur these heavy losses every spring to enjoy it". His vision carried far into the future to what we now have. Late in the year 1855 the factory and dyke were completed.

Erosion of the dyke by the river presented a further difficulty which Colonel Colt solved by the planting of willows as was done in Holland, the land of dykes. He imported the willows from France, had them planted, and before long the dyke was covered with willow sprouts. The offer of a good price for the willow from a manufacturer of willow ware who had been accustomed to import this material, disclosed an opportunity which the Colonel immediately grasped. Here was the beginning of the Colt's Willow Ware Manufacturing Company. Why not establish a willow factory of his own? Colonel Colt then proceeded to import a whole village of workers from Europe, and built for them a group of cottages similar to those of their homes in Europe, which were modeled on the lines of those we find in Switzerland. The workers were not Swiss, as was commonly thought, but came from Potsdam in Prussia. In the vernacular of that day, the settlement was known as "Dutchtown". The name "Dutch" was generally applied by the Yankee to all immigrants from Europe. Colonel Colt's idea of dykes and willows came from Holland, his workers and the architecture of the cottages from Prussia. The cottages were built of brick set in a wooden framework, with long, overhanging cornices deeply scalloped, and the staircases were on the outside of the buildings. In 1866 about one hundred and twenty workers lived in these cottages. There was one great house which was large enough for eighteen families. All the others accommodated only two families. A feeling of hospitality led Colonel Colt to add to the village a coffee and beer garden, and Colt's Band played there at stated times. Foreigners were not as numerous then as they were later, and the probability is that the workers kept to themselves and lived much as they had in their former home. It is interesting that Mr. Barnard in his memorial to Colonel Colt, whenever he mentions the village, calls it Potsdam. The industry prospered, also did the willows which at first were set out on the dyke, and later planted in rows all over the meadows. When the willows reached a given height, they were cut down and made into basketware.



*"Potsdam", Swiss Village on Colt's Dyke, c. 1906
(Horace B. Clarke Collection)*

Among the many products of the factory were chandeliers, fenders, sleigh bodies, various kinds of furniture, go-carts, etc. They were of superior quality, and were shipped to many foreign countries. Samples of this furniture may be found in the Colt Collection of the Wadsworth Atheneum. Colt's Willow Ware Manufacturing Company was finally incorporated on January 1, 1861 as a Joint Stock Corporation under the laws of the State of Connecticut "for the purpose of manufacturing and selling willow ware and all other articles of which willow wares constitute a part". The capital was \$25,000 all paid in, and was represented by 1,000 shares. The stockholders were: R. W. H. Jarvis, E. K. Root, H. Lord, F. W. Kunkle, Caldwell Colt, each owning one share, and Samuel Colt the holder of 995 shares. The document was signed by R. W. H. Jarvis, President, and by Directors E. K. Root, H. Lord and Sam Colt. J. Hammond Trumbull in his *Memorial History of Hartford County* (1886) states that E. K. Root became connected with the company in 1849, and on the death of Colonel Colt, January 10, 1862, became President and held that office until his death on July 5, 1865, and was succeeded by R. W. H. Jarvis. The death of Colonel Colt did not interrupt the prosperity of this young industry. In the midst of its success the final blow came on New Year's eve, 1873, when the factory was totally destroyed by fire. It was an unusually cold winter night, the roads across the meadows, bad at any time, were blocked by snow, and the hydrants were frozen. The loss was \$75,000 against which was only \$15,000 insurance, none of which was placed with Hartford companies. The cottages were saved, and for many years remained a picturesque landmark of the Willow Works.

"Progress is the activity of to-day and the assurance of to-morrow" is a fundamental truth written by Emerson. May we not apply this to the needed and most desirable increase in our membership? Located, as the Society is, in a center of the early life of our country we are offered a great field of usefulness. Our's is a wonderful opportunity. Our present membership of 632 is small indeed when compared to the possibilities which lie before us. May I again urge upon you that you individually accept the responsibility of seeking and recruiting additional members. There must be many who would gladly join the Society if the suggestion were made to them. The present enrollment is:

Associate	325
Active	209
Contributing	49
Life	26
Ex Officio	22
Honorary	1
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The eight monthly meetings during the past year were most interesting and successful ones. They were held in the lecture-room of the Morgan Memorial building, where there was ample space for the audience and facilities for serving coffee and light refreshments. This informal gathering, either before or after the meeting, has proved to be a very pleasant addition to the social aspect of the meetings.

Since the time when "the memory of man runneth not to the contrary" the meetings of the Society have been held in the evening. This year it was decided to try an innovation by holding the three last meetings in the late afternoon. This was purely a temporary experiment to ascertain whether or not that time was more suitable to a larger group of the members.

To the following speakers, who have generously given of their time, the Society owes a debt of appreciation:

October 4th. Rev. Rockwell Harmon Potter, D.D., of Hartford.
"Thomas Robbins" — first Librarian of the Society.

November 1st. Thompson R. Harlow, Librarian of the Society.
"What the Connecticut Historical Society Really Is", a talk illustrated with colored slides of the Society's treasures.

December 6th. John T. Kenney, President of the Hitchcock Chair Company, of Riverton, Connecticut.
"Hitchcock Chairs".

January 3rd. Ralph W. Thomas, of New Haven, Connecticut.
"Conservation of Oil Paintings".

February 7th. John C. Willard, of Wethersfield, Connecticut.
"Footnotes on Headstones". Illustrated with lantern slides.

March 7th. Elmer D. Keith, of Clintonville, Connecticut.
"Romance of Early Lighting". Illustrated with pieces from his collection.

April 4th. Charles S. Bissell, of Suffield, Connecticut.

"Suffield Antiques". Illustrated with colored slides.

May 2nd. Earle Williams Newton, of Sturbridge, Massachusetts.

"Old Sturbridge Village". Describing the interesting work being done there.

Many of you may not realize the fact that you are members of a venerable organization. May 30th of this year, approximately two weeks from the present date, marks the one hundred and twenty-fifth anniversary of the birth of the Society. Some permanent recognition of this event should and will be made.

Mr. George Edward Hoadley, who died November 21, 1922, left in his will a generous bequest of one-half of the residue of his estate to the Connecticut Historical Society, with which to purchase land and erect thereon a fireproof building to be used by the Society. The years have passed, years of wishful waiting, during which the Society hoped that by some means Mr. Hoadley's plan for it could be brought to completion. Until recently, that has not been possible because the cost of erection of an adequate building would use up the entire fund, and the finances of the Society were wholly inadequate to meet the maintenance costs. If built, the Society would have a building, with no means of support. At last, after twenty-eight years, the time has come when the Society will have a home of its own. At the March meeting of the Society it was unanimously and enthusiastically voted to empower the Standing Committee to purchase the Veeder property, located in the western part of the City of Hartford at 1 Elizabeth Street. The residence is a large and adequate building of fireproof construction, and is surrounded by extensive grounds. The Society is fortunate in the fact that it is to settle in a good residential section, adjoining the Hartford Seminary Foundation which has an excellent library. To a considerable extent the two libraries will supplement each other. The final formalities connected with the transfer of title have not been completed, but it is expected that the Society will be able to move from the Wadsworth Atheneum to its new home by next Fall.

It is of interest that the records show that, after occupying for some years rooms in the old Hartford Times building and other places, the Society held its first meeting in the Wadsworth Atheneum on December 22, 1843, one hundred and seven years ago.

They have been pleasant and fruitful years, and in many ways it will be with a pang of regret when this long association with the Wadsworth Atheneum is ended.

Throughout the years, the Society has constantly faced financial problems, many of them serious ones. This change to a home of its own, where it will be possible to exhibit all its valuable possessions and to expand in usefulness creates the further problem of proper maintenance. The income from part of Mr. Hoadley's bequest, which is permitted by his will, and the generous bequests in the will of Mr. Charles Guilford Woodward, who died February 1, 1950, have made all this possible. Their generosity will mainly be responsible for the expected increased growth and prosperity of the Society.

We can rightly feel that a great future lies ahead for the Society, but, to bring this about in full reality, the meager endowment funds of the Society must be materially increased by gifts and bequests in wills from our friends and those who have an interest in the preservation of the history of Connecticut. With a dignified and spacious home where the really great collections of the Society can at last be seen and appreciated, there should be a greatly increased incentive presented to those who may be generously minded. There are many ways in which assistance towards the building up of the Society can be given.

The demands on the Librarian and his staff during the year have been unusually heavy. The most trying incident was an order from the Fire Marshal of the City that a large quantity of books and materials be removed to some other place at once, which involved a hard and sustained effort of days. On behalf of the Society I want to express its appreciation of the efficient and generously given service which has been a part of the daily life of those in charge. In this I wholeheartedly join.

EDGAR F. WATERMAN

President

Necrology — 1950

BY PROFESSOR ARTHUR ADAMS, PH.D.



MRS. FRANCES WHITTLESEY BROWN GOODWIN (Mrs. James Goodwin)

Mrs. Frances Whittlesey Brown Goodwin, widow of the late Rev. Dr. James Goodwin, Rector of Christ Church, Hartford, died at her summer home, Fir Cliff, Castine, Maine, September 4, 1949. She was elected a member of the Society December 6, 1927.

She was born in Hartford June 20, 1866, a daughter of Roswell and Fanny Noyes Brown. She was educated in Hartford, and June 13, 1904, married the Rev. James Goodwin, son of the Rev. Francis and Mary Alsop Goodwin.

For many years, Mrs. Goodwin was active in the social and charitable activities of Hartford. She was at one time President of Grey Lodge and of the Women's Exchange. She was an officer of the Girls' Friendly Society, the Goodwin Bowling Club, and was active in all phases of the work of Christ Church Cathedral. She was a member of the Colonial Dames, the Garden Club of America, and of the Town and County Club of Hartford. In Castine, she was a trustee of the Castine Community Hospital and a member of the Castine Golf Club.

She leaves a son, Francis Goodwin, II, of Wethersfield; three daughters, Mrs. A. Everett Austin, Jr., of Hartford, Mrs. Wilton Graff, of Los Angeles, and Mrs. Goodwin Stone, of Cambridge, Mass.; six grandchildren, and a sister, Mrs. Richard M. Coit, of New Canaan.

GLENN E. GRISWOLD

Glenn E. Griswold, of Branford, Conn., who was admitted to the Society March 6, 1940, died May 19, 1949.

It is hoped that a memoir of him may be printed later.

MRS. MINNIE L. JOSLYN (Mrs. Charles M. Joslyn)

Mrs. Minnie L. Joslyn, of Hartford, who was admitted to the Society February 1, 1921, died at her home December 31, 1949.

She was born November 10, 1858, at Stafford. She was a daughter of George Brown and Emily Preston. December 18, 1880, she married the late General Charles M. Joslyn, and after that time, lived in Hartford. General Joslyn was a member of the law firm of Hyde, Joslyn, Gilman, and Hungerford. He was a member of the military staffs of Governors Hubbard and Morris. He died in 1920.

Mrs. Joslyn was a member of the South Congregational Church, and of many social organizations. She was fond of travel and spent much time abroad.

Mrs. Joslyn is survived by an only daughter, Mrs. Robert P. Butler, of West Hartford, and by two grandsons, Joslyn Butler, of Los Angeles, and Philip Gale Butler, of Atlanta, and by three great-grandchildren, all children of Philip Gale Butler.

MISS FLORENCE A. JUDSON

Miss Florence A. Judson, of Wethersfield, who was elected a member of the Society, May 29, 1934, died at her home June 27, 1949.

She was a daughter of the late Albert A. and Jerusha Rist Judson.

She lived formerly in East Hartford, and was long employed in the State Motor Vehicles Department. She was a member of the Hockanum Congregational Church.

She left a brother, Dwight R. Judson, of West Hartford, a sister, Miss Ruth L. Judson, of Wethersfield, and several nieces and nephews.

WILLIAM TAFT PITKIN

William Taft Pitkin, of West Hartford, who was elected a member of the Society October 4, 1932, died at his home November 17, 1949.

Mr. Pitkin was a descendant of William Pitkin, an early settler of East Hartford, and counted among his ancestors many of the prominent families of Connecticut.

He was born in Hartford, April 20, 1867, a son of Albert P. Pitkin, whose wife, married November 4, 1850, was Jane Hastings.

Albert P. Pitkin founded the firm of Pitkin Brothers and Company, manufacturers of steam goods.

William T. Pitkin was educated at the Hartford Public High School. He entered the service of the Pitkin Brothers Company, and was with it many years, retiring about 1925. In later years, he gave his attention to his financial interests. He enjoyed foreign travel and was much abroad.

He married Nellie W. Kennedy, a daughter of Colonel Kennedy, of Hartford, who died in 1935.

Mr. Pitkin was a lover of horses, and for years had extensive stables at his estate, Idylwood, in Aiken, S. C.

He was a member of Hartford Lodge, F. and A. M., of other Masonic bodies, the Farmington Country Club, the Hartford Club, the Society of Colonial Wars, and was a Fellow of the American Geographical Society. He was active in the work of the Episcopal Diocese of Connecticut, and long served as Treasurer of the Church Scholarship Society.

He is survived by an only child, Miss Helen Pitkin of West Hartford.

MRS. EBBA EVANS REARDON
(Mrs. Henry B. Reardon, Jr.)

Mrs. Ebba Evans Reardon, who became a member of the Society February 4, 1947, died April 23, 1950, in the Hartford Hospital.

She was born in Essex, Connecticut, but lived for many years in Farmington. She was a communicant of St. James Episcopal Church of Farmington. She is survived by her husband, and by a daughter, Mrs. Frederic E. Kernochan.

Mrs. Reardon was active in Republican political affairs in Connecticut, and was a member of many social, antiquarian, and charitable organizations. She was President of the Farmington Valley Women's Republican Club, and of the State Council of Republican Women. She was a member of the Antiquarian and Landmarks Society, the Early American Industries Association, the Pewter Collectors Club of America, and of the Avon Garden Club.

MRS. IRENE HOWE MIX ROOT
(Mrs. Judson Buel Root)

Mrs. Irene Howe Mix Root, who was admitted to the Society May 6, 1924, died at her home in Hartford, October 16, 1949.

She was born in New Haven August 7, 1887, a daughter of the late Alfred and Anna Mix. The Mix family is one of the oldest of New Haven families, descended from Thomas Mix, an early settler there.

For a number of years, before her marriage, she was employed in the State Library in Hartford, working on the Barbour Collection of Connecticut Vital Records. Later she devoted much of her time to genealogical research, and was for a number of years, Genealogist for the Connecticut Society of the Colonial Dames of America.

She was a member of Trinity Episcopal Church, the Daughters of the American Revolution, and the Mayflower Society.

She is survived by her husband, Judson Buel Root, of Hartford, and by a sister, Mrs. Burton E. Baker.

WELLINGTON R. SLOCUM

Wellington R. Slocum, who was admitted to the Society, December 4, 1923, died at the age of seventy-eight at the Hartford Hospital March 19, 1950.

He entered the service of the Travelers Insurance Company in 1903 as a clerk in the liability accounting division. Later he served as Cashier of the Travelers Companies and finally as Manager of the Mortgage Loan Division.

He was a director of the Travelers Bank, of the Edward Balf Company, and for a time was a director of the First National Bank of Hartford. He was a member of the Fourth Congregational Church.

He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Katherine Slocum Evans, of New Haven, and by two grandchildren, Miss Sarah Owen and Miss Virginia Owen.

JAMES MEGGAT STRONG

James Meggat Strong, who was elected a member of the Society

May 1, 1923, died at his home in West Hartford, November 9, 1949.

He was a son of the late Harry Barnard Strong, who died in 1933, and Hattie Meggat. He was born in Hartford September 5, 1888.

He was educated in the West Middle School in Hartford and at the Westminster School in Simsbury.

He worked for a time at the Forbes and Wallace department store in Springfield, and with the Golden Rule Company in Minneapolis.

In 1914, he entered the service of the Brown Thomson store in Hartford, where his father had been employed many years. When the store was incorporated in 1930, his father was made Vice-President and he Secretary. He retired in 1936, when his family sold its interest in the business.

In Madison, where he had a summer home, he was a director of the Madison Country Club, Governor of the Beach Club, and secretary of the Madison Property Owners Association. He was a member of St. John's Episcopal Church in West Hartford, and of the Hartford Golf Club. He was a member of the Jeremiah Wadsworth Branch of the Sons of the American Revolution. During World War I, he served in the Navy.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Helen Sylvia Bolles Strong, by a son, James M. Strong, Jr., of West Hartford, by two daughters, Mrs. Glenn H. Wayne, Jr., of Middletown, and Miss Jane Burton Strong, of West Hartford, and by a grandson, Richard Townsend Wayne.

MISS ANNIE ELIOT TRUMBULL

Miss Annie Eliot Trumbull, who was admitted to the Society May 2, 1939, died at her home in Hartford, December 22, 1949.

She was born in Hartford March 2, 1857, a daughter of the late James Hammond Trumbull and his wife, Sarah Robinson, and a granddaughter of Gurdon Trumbull, a painter of birds and fishes.

Her father was one of the best known students of the Indian languages in America. He was an historian and edited several volumes of the records of the Connecticut Colony. He was at various times Secretary of State in Connecticut, State Librarian, President

of the Connecticut Historical Society, and Librarian of the Watkinson Library of Hartford.

Miss Trumbull was the last surviving member of the Hartford literary group that gathered around Mark Twain. Miss Trumbull was an authoress of note in her own right.

Her first published story appeared in *Harper's Bazaar* in 1881, her first full-length book in 1889. In 1893, she published *White Birches*. In 1899 she published *Mistress Content Craddock*, a story of Puritan New England that received highly complimentary notice. She wrote also *Life's Common Way*, *A Christmas Accident*, *Rod's Salvation*, *Sinews of War*, and *A Cape Cod Week*, besides many stories that appeared in the *Atlantic*, *Scribner's*, the *Outlook*, the *New England Magazine*, and *Lippincott's*. She wrote two plays for the Saturday Morning Club, the "Masque of Culture" and "Wheels of Progress", which were afterwards widely produced. Her last book of verse, *Impressions*, was brought out in 1927. She contributed book reviews and accounts of her travels to both the *Times* and the *Courant*.

She spent much time in travel, and at her summer home in Castine.

She was for more than twenty years a director of the Hartford Public Library.

She was the first President of the Town and County Club, and was a member of the American Pen Women's Club, the Cosmopolitan Club of New York, the Acorn Club of Philadelphia, and the Sulgrave Club of Washington.

CHARLES BARNEY WHITTLESEY

Charles Barney Whittlesey, who was admitted to the Society March 1, 1921, died at his home in Hartford October 16, 1949, a son of John Hunt and Emily Adeline Suydam.

He was born in New Haven March 16, 1869. He came to Hartford in 1891, when he entered the service of the Travelers Insurance Company.

In 1900, he entered the employ of the Hartford Rubber Works Company, ultimately becoming President and General Manager. Later the company became the Hartford Division of the United States Rubber Company. When the plant was removed to Detroit,

he remained in Hartford as Executive Vice-President of the Chamber of Commerce (1929) of which he had served as President, 1911-1915. Nine years later, March 1938, he retired, but remained with the Chamber as Honorary Vice-President till September 1940.

Mr. Whittlesey was at one time President of the Connecticut Society Sons of the American Revolution, and was Treasurer of the Society of Automotive Engineers. He was a communicant of Trinity Episcopal Church of Hartford.

He was much interested in Genealogy and compiled one of his own family, one of the Roosevelt family and one of the Pratt family.

He was twice married, first, February 13, 1891, to Alice Deatherage, and secondly, April 29, 1914, to Grace Agnes Moore.

He is survived by his wife, Grace Moore Whittlesey, a daughter, Mrs. Morton W. Scoville, of West Hartford, by two sons, Charles B. Whittlesey, Jr., of Scarsdale, N. Y., and Dudley Moore Whittlesey, of New York City, and by four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

CHARLES GUILFORD WOODWARD

Charles Guilford Woodward, who was admitted to the Society May 27, 1903, and who was long a Vice-President, died at the Hartford Hospital February 1, 1950.

He was born in Hartford December 15, 1876, son of the late P. Henry Woodward and Mary Smith.

He was prepared for College at the Collins Street Classical School and was graduated from Trinity College in 1898. He was a member of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity and of Phi Beta Kappa. He received the M.A. degree from Trinity in 1901. After two years of graduate study at Columbia University, he entered the service of the Connecticut General Life Insurance Company. He became Financial Secretary in 1911, and a Vice-President in 1924. Because of his health he retired from active executive duties in 1925, though he retained his connection with the company till his death.

His special field of interest was investments in railroads, and his knowledge of railroad securities was probably greater than anybody else's.

He was an advisor of the Hartford and Connecticut Western Railroad Company, the Central Branch of the Union Pacific, the Missouri, Kansas, and Eastern Railroad Company, and the Missouri, Kansas, and Texas Railroad Company. He served as President of the Albany and Susquehanna Railroad Company, resigning in 1944. He was a director of the Central Vermont Railway, the New London Northern, of which he was President, and the South Western Railroad Company of Georgia.

Mr. Woodward was greatly interested in The Connecticut Historical Society and in Trinity College, for both of which he made generous testamentary provision.

He became a Trustee of Trinity College in 1917, and Secretary of the Board in 1929, serving till 1946. His father had been a Trustee of the College and served long as Secretary of the Board. Woodward Hall at the College was named in his honor. His father had also been interested in the Historical Society, serving it in many offices.

Mr. Woodward was a member of the Hartford YMCA for more than sixty years; he was a trustee of the Hartford Seminary Foundation, the Bushnell Memorial Hall Corporation, of the Wadsworth Athenaeum, and of the American School for the Deaf, of the Windham Community Hospital, and was Secretary of the Trustees of the Diocese of Connecticut for Receiving Donations for the support of the Bishop. He was a member of the Twentieth Century Club, the American Academy of Political and Social Science, the American Economics Association, and of the Newcomen Society of England.

He contributed articles to the *Wall Street Journal*, and read a paper on "Investments of Life Insurance Companies" before the Insurance Institute of Hartford, which was printed in 1913. In 1941, he published *The New London, Willimantic & Palmer Railroad Company, a brief History*.

Altogether, Mr. Woodward was one of the first citizens of Hartford, and was respected for his sterling character and honored for his good deeds.

Report of Librarian

Mr. President and Members of the Society:

On May 30, 1825, in the Old State House, The Connecticut Historical Society was organized. In 125 years the Society has gone through trying times, has had periods of tremendous growth, and still other times when it was apparently riddled with factional differences. It is well to pause annually, orient ourselves and make some brief comparisons in order that we know how we stand.

Although we have enjoyed two very unusual years during 1948 and 1949, several new records were made this year. The total membership of the Society reached 632 and they paid in dues \$1511. Attendance at the monthly meetings also reached a new high of 400. Good as these figures are, there is still much room for improvement. We should double our present membership and attendance at meetings with but little effort on the part of each member. During this highly significant anniversary year, let us all do our utmost to achieve these goals.

Trust funds were increased by \$345.98 through the sale of books for that purpose. This includes:

Ancient Vital Records Fund	\$3.20
Barbour Fund	14.00
Boardman Fund	43.34
Brainard Fund	30.50
Hoadly Fund	83.00
Publication Fund	154.07
Putnam Fund	4.00
Shepard Fund	4.68
Waterman Fund	68.67
Welles Fund	20.52
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	\$345.98

The publication Fund Principal received \$144 in admission fees, and \$77.69 was credited to income from the sale of books published with income. Sales of the Colt book amounted to \$2.081. The sale of duplicates totalled \$649.05 and exchanges another \$421.00.

Including \$7,000 from the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving, which continues our cataloguing project, gifts for special

purposes reached the astounding figure of \$10,915.75. These funds were presented for a variety of purposes, including purchase of books and manuscripts, binding, restoration of portraits, equipment, printing and photographing.

Only in this way were we able to purchase high priced objects and such items of equipment as a duplicator, filing cabinet, and camera. These are all necessary to the proper operation of our Society but they were not possible from current revenues.

In many ways the last few months have been most exciting. First we became engrossed in negotiating for the Curtis H. Veeder property. After reaching an agreement with Mrs. Veeder, approval of the Society was secured. Then we spent some trying weeks re-zoning the property for our occupancy. This is all over now and we await final completion of arrangements and realization of a twenty-seven year dream for an adequate fire-proof home for our treasures.

If this were not enough to occupy our minds, the City Fire Marshal advised immediate removal of 2,000 cubic feet of records to a storage warehouse. Three van loads were required and a week of strenuous labor, but it taught us lessons that will prove invaluable when we do move.

This is probably a suitable point to emphasize the ever present need for operating funds. We have never had quarters where we had to supply such things as light, heat and janitor service. These will be expensive and, with two floors and a stack to service and care for, we are going to need in the very near future a manuscript cataloguer and a full-time curator. We are now spread thinly over three jobs, each of which could well be filled separately. With additional problems, some of these duties must be slighted and we can not do so long without serious results.

It is all very well to find and secure a large collection of letters, but if these are not processed, they are of no use to anyone.

The same is true of the Museum. Our past records are very inadequate due to lack of help, and our recent efforts have been primarily directed to unravelling what has existed for some time. If we are to preserve what we have and consolidate the present with the past, someone must be delegated with the time and proper training to do the job. We can no longer say, "sorry, in



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storage." In storage in our new home must mean only a few minutes to produce, just as a book in the stack is produced.

We do not expect everything at once nor do we wish to appear unreasonable. The simple truth of the matter is that our members, and the public in general, must realize that efficiency in this organization is dependent upon an adequate staff. At present we are operating with only \$995.33 income for books and \$10,369.66 income for general expenses. It is obvious that additional funds can be used to good advantage. The acquisition of a handsome new building solves but one of our problems.

Our meetings were made much pleasanter by the addition of a short social period during which light refreshments were served. Mrs. A. H. Terry has assumed the responsibility of securing hostesses and to her we are greatly indebted. And we are particularly grateful to those young ladies who washed, dried and stored the silver and dishes. The success of this feature is due to the spontaneous generosity and thoughtfulness of those concerned, which I am sure we all appreciate if we only gave it a thought.

In March the Standing Committee authorized changing the meeting hour from 8:15 to 4:00 P. M. This was an experiment to determine which was the preferred hour. After three trials, we still do not know. The removal to the Veeder building will result in an entirely different situation which should not be governed by previous experience. There will be adequate parking facilities, there will be no need to rush to close up someone else's building, and there will be attractive surroundings. These factors may make it highly desirable to return to the traditional evening meeting. Your comments would be appreciated for we shortly must decide. Before the first meeting next fall, the Program Committee hopes to send you a printed season schedule for your ready reference, and in order to secure our speakers, we must definitely settle this question.

LIBRARIAN

Although Library attendance decreased slightly to 3100, many important projects were completed which, with the extension of our cataloguing project, made for considerable improvement.

Accessions totaled: 496 volumes	
416 pamphlets	
112 miscellaneous collections	
182 manuscript collections	
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Total	1206

The miscellaneous items may be broken down into:

24 maps	
44 broadsides	
8 pictures and engravings	
35 advertisements	
22 programs and invitations	
27 newspapers	
4 photostats	
5 scrapbooks	
1 calendar	
9 posters	
26 billheads	
4 sheet music	
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Total	209

The various funds for the purchase of library materials are credited with the following:

	<i>vols.</i>	<i>pamps.</i>	<i>misc.</i>	<i>msc.</i>
Barbour	4			
Boardman	2		2	3
Brainard	6	4	1	
Colonial Wars	4			
Hoadly	10	27	31	
Mather	18			
Morris	2			
Robbins	47	115	34	39
Russell	1			
Welles	2			
Exchange	13	2	3	8
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	109	148	71	50

In January the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving granted another \$7,000 to continue the cataloguing project instituted in 1947. At the present rate, this will last about three years when it is expected the Society can assume the financial responsibility. The Foundation's gift is a great lift to the Society, not only in taking advantage of Miss Parsons' availability, but also providing necessary funds we do not now have.

In three years a total of 8215 volumes have been catalogued, of which 2403 were completed this past year. This resulted in 23,000 cards being filed in the catalogue, filling to capacity a 60,000 card case.

With the installation of our new print cases, we have finally been able to catalogue many of our over-size prints and folio maps. These were a problem and its solution makes easy access and safe storage. Previously many of them could not be readily located and we were faced with the danger of tearing when handled and constant dust seepage. It might be of interest to note that the ten drawers, each two inches deep, are already filled.

The shelving system in our vaults and stack has long been a source of trouble. In each there have been several alphabets, which caused nothing but confusion. The catalogue could not differentiate between alphabets and it meant that we either remembered how things were filed, or were helpless.

Several years ago we split the manuscript catalogue into two divisions, history and genealogy. In this manner, genealogists pored through only genealogical entries. This was an improvement but did not strike at the fundamental problem.

After several intensive weeks of checking and shifting, we succeeded in making one continuous alphabetical file of our genealogies, another of genealogical materials by towns, and in a vault, historical manuscripts. This succeeded in consolidating in one location a half-dozen different alphabets and at long last the catalogue tells not only what we have, but also where it is.

In this way we took inventory, uncovered many items known to have been missing some years and also, unfortunately, brought to light many entries for which we can no longer find the material. Some of these are being located, but in any event, we have a much better idea of what we have.

Last July a Library-Museum Fund was established through the sale of books presented for the purpose by the late Mrs. J. C. Hills. The principal now amounts to \$302.50, to which it is hoped additions will be made from time to time. The income, more than \$12 annually, is to be used in repair, maintenance or purchase of materials for either the Library or Museum. This, incidentally, is the only fund we have for the Museum. Everything heretofore has been presented or purchased by a special gift and repaired in the same manner. The fact I am so delighted with \$12 should be an indication of how important even this amount can be.

Last fall, Mrs. A. H. Terry volunteered her services and since, has been a virtual full-time assistant. She has carefully screened thousands of volumes, arranged and sorted and assisted in selecting materials outside our field. As a result, literally tons of matter have been junked, assigned to the Watkinson Library, or sold. Some space was secured as a result and much that had been put aside is now arranged. She also screened dozens of boxes of newspaper clippings, and those suitable for preservation have been sealed awaiting the time when someone can mount them in scrap books.

We find scrap books a very valuable form of historical record. Miss Marjorie Waterman has completed an interesting volume on antiques, and others need someone to do the pasting.

Last year Mr. Newton C. Brainard compiled an index to a set of 17 volumes which brings to light a vast amount of "lost" knowledge. One entry, for example, reveals information we have sought for many years. Edwin Pond Parker, writing a column in the newspapers in 1871, describes an account book at Eckhardt's Art Store kept by Thomas Seymour in which he records in 1764 that he paid William Johnston eighteen pounds for painting his picture and that of his lady Hepzibah Merrill.

This is the long sought answer as to who was the artist that painted a number of portraits in Hartford County in the 1760's. With this clue we find that William Johnston was the son of Thomas Johnston, engraver, and was born in Boston, December 30, 1732. He certainly was influenced by, if not apprenticed to, John Greenwood, who in turn was an apprentice of the father, Thomas Johnston. The *Boston News-Letter* for October 1, 1772, notes: "William Johnston, portrait painter, formerly of Boston, son



Mrs. Thomas Seymour by William Johnstone

of the late Mr. Thomas Johnston, Japanner, died suddenly at Bridge-Town in Barbados."

At this time we do not know the present location of the account book referred to by Mr. Parker. If anyone can assist in this search, we should be grateful.

As noted elsewhere in this report, we lost one of our staunchest supporters, Charles Guilford Woodward. His magnificent bequest will be a constant reminder of a man who can never be completely replaced.

From his niece, Mrs. Edgar F. Waterman, we received many volumes from his personal library including 60 genealogies and town histories. These were in such unusually fine condition that we are having a special bookplate prepared and, with them as a nucleus, will establish the C. G. Woodward Loan Collection. With our genealogical duplicates and copies of each of our publications, the collection will start with about 220 titles. Included are 4 volumes of *A Genealogical Dictionary of New England* by James Savage, early volumes of the *New England Historic and Genealogical Register* and a complete set of *Connecticut Vital Records*. These will be available to members on a rental basis, the fee to cover the cost of mailing and bookkeeping. Additional details will appear in the *Bulletin* in the near future.

A number of important items were added to the Library, both by purchase and gift. This is of course of primary interest and particularly significant, for it proves that the Society is willing and able to make important purchases and that the source of supply has not dried up.

Cyrene M. Clarke's: *Glances of Life Upon the Sea*, Middletown, 1854, is an apparent unknown account of a whaling voyage. Since purchasing it we have located another copy which, due to not having been catalogued, we did not know we had. How many other similar items will be discovered before the cataloguing is completed, is sheer guesswork.

A manuscript whaling journal of a voyage on board the Ship "Meteor" of Groton, to the South Atlantic, 1840-47 kept by the 1st Mate, William Montgomery, is an interesting account and the only one of that type in our collection.

A broadside of The Steamer Lawrence from Hartford to Norwich, c.1846-50, is a seldom found type of material which is of

value from a visual as well as a reference point of view. The cut of the "Lawrence" at the top of the broadside leaves no doubt as to the type of steamer.

From G. Hunter Brown of New York City, in the name of Mrs. Brown, we have recently received 14 letters written by Roger Griswold to his wife, Fanny Rogers in Lyme, while a Member of Congress, 1794-1807. These are a valuable addition to our collection and, as a group, of considerable significance. For instance, he says in 1796 he is fed up with politics: "For my part; I have so little ambition left, that with a snug fortune I shou'd be very well content to bid an eternal adieu to courts, legislature — and offices — and in simplicity and retirement, spend my life in Philosophical contentment." Incidentally, he was elected to Congress for ten more years, elected Lt. Governor of Connecticut in 1809, and Governor in 1811.

Another letter written the same year contains an interesting statement on adjournment of Congress. "Every day furnishes new matter for a volumn and every volumn employs a year to compleat it — the body of a Polipus is not more prolific — every head that is cut off becomes a new body and every decision becomes a distinct insect, subject to infinite divisibility — . . . yesterday was the period fix'd on for adjournment, but it is pass'd and we are still in our seats . . ."

For many years we have commented on the scarcity of photographs in the collection and how valuable they are in research. From time to time a few prints have been presented to us. In April, Horace B. Clark gave us a large collection of photographic prints including many negatives. Most of these are arranged chronologically and some are in albums. There are splendid sets covering floods and the hurricane, many of which were re-photographed under normal conditions to show the difference. Virtually all the prints are labelled, and all are in remarkably fine condition.

CURATOR

Accessions totaled:

1 wooden bridge sign	6 lithographs
6 advertising boxes	33 photographs
3 samples of Conn. silk	1 set of Charter Oak
thread	jewelry

1 engraved cartoon	1 tallow candle
soap making imple-	13 oil portraits
ments	1 musicians helmet
2 cream ladles, silver	4 Indian arrowheads
1 silver sauce ladle	2 silver sugar tongs
40 silver spoons	1 printed handkerchief
1 inkwell	1 silhouette
1 woodcut	Indian collection
6 colored block prints	1 miniature

Of particular interest were the thirteen portraits. These included four from the Wadsworth Atheneum on deposit:

Mrs. Anna (Bliss) Watson (1747-1827) by Alvan Fisher
 John Watson (1744-1824) by Alvan Fisher
 Henry Watson (1781-1848) by C.R. Parker
 Anna (Watson) Bliss (1772/3-1836)

three from Miss Helen Lathrop Perkins of Norwich on deposit:

Mrs. Hannah (Bill) Lathrop (1768-1862)
 Col. George Lathrop Perkins (1788-1888)
 Emily (Lathrop) Perkins (1798-1890) by Alvan Fisher

five from Mrs. Edgar F. Waterman:

Charles Smith (1807-1896)
 Ashbel Woodward (1804-1885)
 Emeline (Bicknell) Woodward (1807-1897)
 Patrick Henry and Richard William Woodward, young boys
 Patrick Henry Woodward (1833-1917) by Charles Noel
 Flagg, 1903

The finest pair of portraits in our collection are those of Stephen Mix Mitchell and his wife, Hannah Grant, painted about 1828 by Samuel Finley Breese Morse. Through exchange, we have recently secured a miniature done by Morse about 1811, of a Yale College classmate, Zedekiah Smith Barstow (1790-1873).

The late C. G. Woodward left us his collection of Indian relics with sufficient funds for an exhibition case. This is particularly gratifying for now, with a suitable home promised in the near future, the problem of display becomes important, and the cost of cases is such that every one acquired by gift, reduces expenditure of possible maintenance funds. At this point we have funds

for three memorial cases: the Woodward Indian case, a Seymour glass and china case, and a Hungerford coin case.

There are a number of other cases needed to which appropriate placques may be attached as memorials. Among these are cases for manuscripts, silver, china, glass and firearms. Anyone interested should contact the President or Librarian.

A number of loans, both for research and exhibition purposes, were made this year. Included in this group were:

Slides to C. S. Bissell	Relics to Miss Katherine Day
Books to Columbia University Library	Book to Col. Samuel H. Fisher
Manuscripts to Yale University Library	Trumbull objects to Conn. State Library for an exhibit at Lebanon
Books to C. B. Whittlesey	2 Trumbull portraits and Faith Trumbull embroidery to Yale University Art Gallery
Silver to P. H. Hammer-sloUGH	
Safe to Hartford National Bank & Trust Co.	
Washington letters to J. M. Holcombe, Jr.	

The manuscript accessions and their sources are as follows:

Mrs. William P. Allen, Litchfield.

Copies of Bible and other records of the Woodward and Tunis families.

Copies of Bible records of the Jones, Snow, Johnson, Reed, Clark, Humphrey, Whiting, Bishop and Gay families.

Copies of Hallett-Bartlett and Pearson family Bible records.

Genealogical notes on the Craw family of Tiverton, R. I. and Bolton, Conn.

Genealogical notes on the Tyrrel, Church, Holmes, Gardner, Stanton, Fellows, Noyes, Stillman, Watson, Reed and Wood families.

Maria E. Atkinson, Valatie, N. Y.

Letters written by Mrs. Lydia Huntley Sigourney to Mrs. Thomas Smith, of Hartford. (48)

Newton C. Brainard, Hartford.

Bible records of the Loomis-Bush and Eddy families.

Index to Hartford Scrapbooks in The Connecticut Historical Society.

Notes concerning the Case, Lockwood & Brainard Company.

Notes on Connecticut silver in Norwich.

Notes on Governor Sewell's chair and the official copy of the "Columbiad."

- Notes on imported bells, Connecticut silver, John I. Wells and list of binders 1788-1862.
- Notes on the Saybrook flag gathered from various sources.
- Edmund Fowler Brown, Columbia, Mo.*
Genealogy of descendants of Richard Brown and Bliss colonial tree.
- Mrs. G. Hunter Brown, New York, N. Y.*
Letters between various members of the Griswold family, especially to Elizabeth (Griswold) Boalt, 1818-1862. (15)
Letters of Charles L. Boalt, Norwalk, Ohio to Judge Ebenezer Lane, Sandusky, Ohio, 1845-1859. (8)
Letters of Governor Roger Griswold to his wife Fanny (Rogers) Griswold, Philadelphia, Pa. and Washington, D. C., 1796-1801. (14)
Letter of Mary Ann (Griswold) Perkins to her sister Elizabeth (Griswold) Boalt, New London, June 17, 1846.
- Mrs. Willis E. Cady, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.*
Abraham P. VanDuesen line of Jehoiakim H. VanValkenburg.
Roger Williams genealogical line of Jehoiakim H. VanValkenburg.
Warner-Hodge-VanValkenburg genealogy.
- Henry A. Castle, Plainville.*
Genealogical notes on the Pynchon family of Springfield, Mass.
- George A. Chapman, Minneapolis, Minn.*
Deeds of the Hooker family of Wallingford, 1792-1798. (5)
- Chicago Historical Society, Chicago, Ill.*
Account book, Hartford, Jan. 13, 1790-July 10, 1818, general store.
- Alice M. Church, Hollywood, Calif.*
Genealogy and history of the Church family in America. 1948.
- Edward P. Cody, Wethersfield.*
Genealogical chart on the DeHaven-Biddle family of Philadelphia, Pa.
Genealogical chart on the Emanuel Buck family of Wethersfield.
Genealogical chart of the George Denison family of Stonington.
- Connecticut Society of Colonial Dames, by Mrs. Newton C. Brainard, Hartford.*
"Colonial Milestones of Connecticut" by Henry P. Sage. (carbon copy with photographs)
- Connecticut State Library, Hartford.*
Church records and other records copies by Julius Gay, including:
Berlin, Bloomfield, Branford, Bristol, Canaan, Canterbury, Canton, Chester (Patequonch), Colchester, Cornwall, East Windsor, Fairfield, Farmington, Goshen, Granby-North Granby, Guilford, Hamden, Hartford 2nd Church, Harwinton, Hebron-Gilead, Kent, Killingworth, Lyme (North Lyme-Hamburg), Madison, Marlborough, Meriden, Milford, Morris, New Hartford, New Haven, North Branford, North Canaan, North Haven (2), Salisbury, Stafford, Wallingford, Warren (East Greenwich), Warren (New Preston), Waterbury, Westbrook, Winchester, Windsor, Winsted.

- Genealogical data on the Cowles family in England, gathered by Julius Gay. (photostat)
- Miscellaneous records from towns in Massachusetts and Vermont.
- Notebooks containing copies of cemetery inscriptions, copied by Julius Gay. (7)
- Katharine S. Conning, Wellesley, Mass.*
- Correspondence of Henry Sage Dermott concerning history of the New York State Bank.
 - Genealogical notes, letters, notebooks, and papers mostly of New York families, by Henry Sage Dermott and his daughter, Mrs. Carolyn Dermott Conning.
- Mrs. Charles W. Crankshaw, South Windsor.*
- Index of commissioned officers of militia in State Registers of Connecticut, 1812-1816, War of 1812. 1950.
- Arthur Pomeroy Day, Hartford.*
- Records of the Hartford Grammar School, Jan. 6, 1790-Oct. 14, 1947.
- Karl F. Fritz, Manchester.*
- Account book, general store, 1852-1861, near Chicopee, Mass.
- Mrs. Melvin H. Hapgood, West Hartford.*
- Descendants of John and Anna (Allwood) Smith, of Hartford, compiled by the Rev. James Allwood Smith and others.
- Kendall P. Hayward, Hartford.*
- Abstracts of Windham and Killingly probate records.
 - Selected cemetery inscriptions.
- Mrs. F. H. Heise, West Hartford.*
- Copies of Bible records of the Hodge, Barton, Bates, Bullock-Reed, Phinney-Lewis and Tuttle families.
 - Genealogical notes on Edward Shepard, Joseph Upson and Elijah and Justus Francis. (copies)
- Mrs. Everett P. Jones, West Hartford.*
- Deeds of Simeon Brooks of Saybrook and Chester, 1836-1860. (7)
- Mrs. Jennie Bowen Julian, Hartford.*
- Thomas Bowen, of Richmond, New Hampshire, and many of his descendants, and other Bowen family notes.
- Mrs. Florence L. C. Kitchelt, New Haven.*
- Papers and correspondence concerning the William Watson Memorial Book Fund of the League of Nations Association.
- Boardman Lockwood, West Hartford.*
- Diaries and miscellaneous papers of William F. J. Boardman, of Hartford, 1868-1895.
 - Diary of Mrs. Mary (Francis) Boardman, mother of William F. J. Boardman.
- Frances Merriman, Hartford.*
- Bible record of the Bacon family.

Jesse Merritt, Farmingdale, L. I., N. Y.

Letter to Gen. David Wooster, Feb. 13, 1777, concerning disposition of Connecticut troops near New Rochelle, N. Y. (photostat)

Andrew G. Nystrom, Hartford.

Inscriptions copied by Charles R. Hale from cemeteries in Chaplin, Torrington, Glastonbury, North Granby, Canaan, Thompson, Preston, Groton, and North Stonington.

Public Library, Hartford.

Journal of Lucy Bulkeley Brainard on a Mediterranean trip, 1926.

William H. Putnam, Hartford.

Diploma of Jeremiah Wadsworth, Dartmouth College, M.A. degree.

Indenture of Jeremiah Wadsworth to Matthew Talcott, of Middletown, Sept. 24, 1759.

Mrs. Robert P. Robinson, Beloit, Wis.

"Historical notes" kept by Catharine Reynolds while a pupil at the Hartford Female Seminary, before 1830.

Mrs. E. H. Smith, Long View, Wash.

List of subscribers and catalogue of Town Hill, New Hartford Library, 1771.

Edward Church Smith, Lakewood, Ohio.

Family of Daniel Bates of Hanover, N. J., Cincinnati and Sandusky, Ohio, 3rd edition, 1950.

Irwin E. Strickland, Hartford.

Contract between Eugene Strickland and the State of Connecticut for making 1,000,000 bricks for the Middletown Insane Hospital, Mar. 21, 1867.

Lowell Thomas, New York, N. Y.

Excerpt from broadcast of Jan. 26, 1950 concerning the "Bounty Bible" reaching Pitcairn Island.

Watkinson Library, Hartford.

Genealogical notes on the Ripley family and Nehemiah Waterman, Jr.

Estate of Rosa Watson, Northampton, Mass. through the Wadsworth Athenaeum.

Deed of Robert Watson, of Windsor, to Abraham Randall, of Windsor, Jan. 1, 1660. (original and typescript)

Diploma of John Watson, Yale College, Sept. 12, 1764.

Estate of Charles G. Woodward, Hartford.

Correspondence, writings, pictures, records, etc.; mostly railroading material of Charles G. Woodward. (3 cartons)

Letters, papers and writings of P. Henry Woodward, mostly as Chief Special Agent for the Post Office Department.

Letters, miscellaneous papers, account books, Bible records, and other family papers of the Woodward and Smith families. (3 cartons)

Purchase.

Account book, 1810-1830, general store.

Account book, Berlin, July 1845-Jan. 1850, general store.
 Account book, New London, n.d., of a firm supplying equipment and stores for ships.
 Account book, New London, May 1855-April 1862, equipment and stores for ships.
 Account book of a blacksmith, 1852-4, 1858-9, Farmington.
 Account book of Dr. John R. Watrous, Colchester, 1797-1806.
 Account book of George S. Catlin, lawyer, Willimantic and Windham, 1837-1851.
 Account book of Joseph Kingsbury, Coventry, 1789-1807, and town accounts of Coventry and Hebron, 1794-1807.
 Account book of Peleg Williams, New London, July 1853-July 1899.
 Account book of toilet and shaving soap manufacturer, 1861-1876, West Hartford.
 Account books of Selah Westcott, Farmington, 1845-47, 1849-52, blacksmith. (2)
 Account books of Thaddeus C. Bruce, Vernon, 1835-41, 1852-68. (2)
 Accounts and invoices for flour furnished the French Army at Newport, R. I., Nov. and Dec. 1780. (14)
 Accounts of whaling voyages of ships "Meteor," "Congress" and "Mary and Susan" of Groton and Mystic, 1834-35, 1842-50, Austin and Francis Lester, Joseph Bailey and G. Pendleton, Captains. (4 vols.)
 Bible record of Joseph Brown, of Lebanon and his wife Mary (Card) Brown, of Kingston, R. I.
 Bible record of the Burnham family.
 Bible record of the Harrison-Bartholomew family.
 Biographical sketch of Dr. Daniel Lathrop (1712-1782), written by William C. Gilman.
 Biographical sketch of Daniel Lathrop Coit (1754-1833), written by William C. Gilman.
 Biographical sketch of William Laud, Archbishop of Canterbury.
 Copy of diary, 1740-1744, of Rev. Nicholas Gilman (1707-1748), pastor of church in Durham, New Hampshire.
 Constitution of the Cherokee Mission Society, formed at Norwich May 10, 1819. (original and printed broadside)
 Daybooks of Bradley & Wadsworth, 1809-10, 1813-15, 1822-23, general store. (3)
 Daybooks of Jno. Tallmadge & Co., Litchfield, 1802-03, 1806-07, general store. (2)
 Diary of Elijah C. Kinney, Norwich, Jan. 1, 1855-Apr. 30, 1856.
 Elizabeth Coit (Gilman) Thompson's reminiscences of her grandmother, Elizabeth Bill Coit.
 I. F. Loomis' accounts with Charter Oak Life Insurance Co., 1868-1871.
 Invoices and account book of cigar and cigar box manufacturer in Suffield, 1873-77. (11)
 Invoices of Eagle Paper Mill, Suffield, 1873-75. (25)
 Invoices of Franklin Paper Mill, Suffield, 1873-77. (23)

- Joshua Coit's reminiscences of his brother, Daniel Wadsworth Coit.
 Letter of Daniel Burnap, Windsor, to Mary Kingsbury, Andover,
 April 11, 1823.
 Letters of Benjamin Clark Gilman, Exeter, New Hampshire, to his
 children, 1809-1834.
 Letters of Clarissa (Gilman) Odiorne, Norwich, Conn. and Exeter,
 New Hampshire, to members of the Gilman family, 1815-1853.
 Letters of Rufus King Gilman, New London and Norwich, to his
 family, 1821-1827.
 Letters of William Charles Gilman, Boston, Mass. and Norwich, Conn.
 to his family, 1814-1817.
 Letters to and by Origin Seymour, Litchfield, and legal papers of him
 and of Edward W. Seymour, 1838-1888. (77)
 Lowthorpe. Written for the School House Club at Lowthorpe by Maria
 Perit Gilman.
 Maria Perit Gilman's reminiscences of her father, William Charles
 Gilman.
 Maria Perit Gilman's reminiscences of her mother, Eliza Coit Gilman.
 Memoir of George Shepard Porter (1848-1908).
 Memoir of Rev. John Lathrop (1584-1653), written by William C.
 Gilman.
 Miscellaneous letters and writings by various members of the Coit and
 Gilman families.
 Miscellaneous letters of Calvin W. Philleo and Elizabeth (Norton)
 Philleo, Suffield. (6)
 Miscellaneous letters to Daniel W. Norton, of Suffield, 1841-1866. (35)
 The Norwich Rural Association, 1869-1907. Written by William C.
 Gilman.
 Notice to Augustus Lathrop concerning Elijah R. Smith, imprisoned
 for debt, Norwich, June 26, 1812.
 Record book of the Second Baptist Church, Suffield, 1843-1873.
 Roll book of Young Ladies' School, Cromwell, Oct. 25, 1858, E.
 Hutchinson, teacher.

PRINTED GENEALOGIES

Albee, Alden, Backus ancestry, Bouton-Farnam, Bradley, Brown, Bushnell,
 Carpenter, Case, Clark(e), Cock, Comly, Comstock, DeBlois-Lucas, Dun-
 ning, Gilman (2), Harris, Harvie (2 charts), Hemmenway, Holloway,
 Hosmer, Huston, Ingham, Merrill ancestry, Miles, Newton, Stanley chart,
 Strode-Stroud, Welch, Williams.

GENEALOGICAL MANUSCRIPTS

Baldwin, Bartlett, Bass, Bates, Belnap, Bentley, Bliss, Bowden, Bowen (2),
 Boyd, Brown (2), Brush, Bryant, Buck chart, Burton, Butler, Caldwell,
 Carpenter, Case, Church (2), Clark, Cleveland, Collier, Colver, Conklin-

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In our present quarters, with so much in dead storage, it is difficult to arrange new exhibitions, for there is no suitable place to put things that are supplanted. However, for the Walpole Society, who visited us in January, we rearranged the large pieces on exhibition and placed in cases a selected group of our manuscript and printed treasures. Mr. N. C. Brainard contributed a printed hand list and, with complete relabeling, our Museum looked about as fine as it is possible to make it. A number of special groups have visited the exhibition, and I believe all were impressed with the wealth of materials in our custody.

For some years we have been interested in placing things outside our field of interest in more suitable and logical repositories. Fundamentally we have been pleased that our Society saw fit to accept everything offered it and after assuring preservation, are now happy to place these things where they rightfully belong. Outstanding examples of this occurred in the deposit at the Peabody Museum of Salem, Massachusetts, of a collection of Sandwich Island materials; the return of the Bounty Bible to Pitcairn Island; and the deposit of a painting of Trinity College at Trinity.

We have done these things with no thought of getting something in return, but with a conviction that it was the right thing to do in the interests of both the donor and the Society. Some day

all institutions will do likewise, and in the shuffle, we will all gain. A classic example of this has just been completed with the exchange, on deposit, of the so-called Elder Brewster Mayflower Chest for a splendid portrait of Joseph Trumbull by his brother, John Trumbull. In this case the Pilgrim Society acquired for their museum in Plymouth an important relic of the Mayflower, and in return, we secured a portrait of an outstanding Connecticut figure by Connecticut's best known artist. This arrangement is certainly to the credit of both institutions which in the future can be terminated by either if it seems wise.

The painting of two children discovered a year ago has been cleaned and appears to be an early painting by John Durand, a Connecticut artist about whom little is known. It is an important discovery which *Antiques Magazine* illustrated in their May 1950 issue.

I have long been interested in photography and regretted we could not utilize this marvelous technique to its fullest. I also regretted the necessity of storing the Seymour collection until that day when we have our own home.

Fortunately, last spring, we were able to make color slides of 130 pieces in the storage warehouse. This was done primarily for record purposes, but it also makes everything available wherever there is a projector and screen.

Their entertainment value alone is well worth the expense, but they also serve to point out significant gaps and the type of objects particularly desired. At the same time, we took a dozen 8 x 10 pictures of outstanding pieces which will be used as illustrations in a printed catalogue we are preparing of the Seymour collection.

We now have nearly five hundred slides, providing many combinations for lecture purposes, which have been used nearly fifty times in the past twelve months. It eases the speaking burden considerably and I am sure does more than mere words in describing our rich library and fine museum.

EDITOR

Our publications consisted of the usual four issues of the *Bulletin* and index, *Annual Report*, volume 26 of the *Collections* and *Sam'L Colt's Own Record*.

The *Collections*, published with funds received from the State, continues the papers of John Cotton Smith from July 19, 1813 to April 14, 1814. Volume 27 is already in copy and the first 81 pages set in type.

Sam L. Colt's Own Record, definitely an experiment, has proven moderately successful and bids fair in a year or so to show a profit. If this turns out to be the case, it will be the first publication of the Society in 125 years to do so. Eight reviewers have praised the text and design and already more than half the edition of 1,000 copies has been sold. The book was produced for book and firearm collectors, and historians.

The *Bulletin* article on "Hartford in 1830" caused such a demand that the supply is strictly limited. It was of particular interest to us for we have a great many similar articles that we intend to use from time to time. It is a pity that space is so restricted in the *Bulletin*. The possibilities for expansion are unlimited, but at this moment I can not figure where the additional funds can be found. There is a rich pool of materials right in our own collection and graduate departments of a number of schools would gladly make contributions.

There are a number of possible sources for funds with which the *Bulletin* might be enlarged. First of all, if a certain percentage of revenue from dues were applied to the *Bulletin*, its size would be dependent upon the growth of the Society.

Second, the entire income from the Publication Fund might be assigned to the *Bulletin* and, as that fund grows, the additional income would make possible a larger and better periodical.

Third, we could abstract the reports made at the annual meeting and make the *Annual Report* an issue of the *Bulletin* rather than a separate publication and save in printing costs some \$400.

Fourth, a regular portion of the State Appropriation could be used for this purpose in return for 300 copies that the State Library would distribute to its exchanges and to every library in Connecticut.

And last, with a guaranteed circulation, there is a certain advertising value which could bear a portion of the expense.

The *Bulletin* is our best medium for dissemination of historical information. Carefully edited, illustrated and filled with well-

written, interesting articles and departments, it would be read by many, used as a constant reference and would prove an inducement to become a member of the Society.

A 48 page quarterly, with stiff paper covers, would cost about \$2500 annually. I suggest we all give this serious consideration. It will come eventually, why not now?

We should not be completely satisfied with progress made during the last twelve months, but I am satisfied the Society is headed in the right direction and that seeds sown over many years are beginning to germinate. Our members made it possible for us to carry out with renewed vigor the Society's obligation to collect and make available materials relating to Connecticut. I am particularly grateful to the officers who unselfishly spent so much time and effort on the negotiations for the Veeder property and in studying and helping to rectify fire hazards in our present quarters.

As ever, I feel a deep sense of gratitude to the staff, both volunteer and permanent, whose efforts made this report possible.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMPSON R. HARLOW

Librarian-Curator

Members Admitted Since May, 1949

Addy, Hugh Howell, Cheshire, April 4, 1950.
Allen, Mary, Tulsa, Okla., Jan. 3, 1950.
Andrews, David T., Litchfield, Oct. 4, 1949.
Baggs, Mrs. Laura Trowbridge, Wethersfield, April 4, 1950.
Barber, Mrs. Gertrude Audrey, New York, N. Y., July 9, 1949.
Boatner, Edmund Burke, West Hartford, May 2, 1950.
Brown, Edmund Fowler, Columbia, Mo., April 4, 1950.
Brown, William Murray, Waterbury, Oct. 4, 1949.
Buchanan, Mrs. Florence Wadhams, Hartford, May 16, 1950.
Butterworth, Mrs. Elizabeth Taylor, West Hartford, May 2, 1950.
Butterworth, Paul M., West Hartford, May 2, 1950.
Case, Leora M., Utica, N. Y., Oct. 4, 1949.
Coates, Robert L., New Britain, May 16, 1950.
Constantine, Mrs. Florence Timpson, Hartford, Feb. 7, 1950.
DeSpain, Mrs. Daysie Spencer, Anchorage, Ky., Dec. 6, 1949.
Edwards, Mrs. Helen B., Hartford, Jan. 2, 1950.
Engley, Donald B., West Hartford, Jan. 3, 1950.
Everest, David Clark, Wausau, Wis., Oct. 4, 1949.
Farner, Mrs. Mildred Whiting, Washington, D. C., Oct. 4, 1949.
Fowles, Lloyd W., Windsor, Mar. 7, 1950.
Fox, Mrs. Dorothy Prentice, Hartford, April 4, 1950.
Gilbertson, John Stewart, South Glastonbury, Feb. 7, 1950.
Gordon, Mrs. Ethel Hagins, St. Joseph, Mo., July 9, 1949.
Greil, Mrs. Olive Hale Witter Hatheway, Hartford, May 2, 1950.
Gunning, John Stratton, Hartford, Mar. 7, 1950.
Hallborg, Ruth Hedwig, Hartford, May 16, 1950.
Hapgood, Mrs. Mary Morgan Smith, West Hartford, Jan. 3, 1950.
Holcombe, Mrs. Ethel P., Hartford, May 16, 1950.
Holley, Mrs. Evelyn Lorraine Case, Fairport, N. Y., May 2, 1950.
Hubbell, Benjamin F., Hartford, Feb. 7, 1950.
Julian, Mrs. Jennie Bowen, Hartford, July 9, 1949.
Koda, Paul, Hartford, May 16, 1950.
Liverant, Israel Ezra, Colchester, May 2, 1950.
Mabie, Mrs. John Eber, Ithaca, N. Y., Jan. 3, 1950.
Mason, Lloyd Ferguson, West Hartford, Mar. 7, 1950.
Merrels, Frederick B., Hartford, Oct. 4, 1949.
Moulthrop, Mary A., Rochester, N. Y., Oct. 4, 1949.
Nystrom, Andrew G., Hartford, Jan. 3, 1950.

Patch, Mrs. Miriam A., Eustis, Fla., Mar. 7, 1950.
Potter, Louise, New London, May 2, 1950.
Rankin, Margaret A. E., Hartford, Mar. 7, 1950.
Ridgway, Mrs. Mary Frances, Akron, O., May 16, 1950.
Robinson, Francis Waring, Detroit, Mich., July 9, 1949.
Ross, William Neely, Old Lyme, May 2, 1950.
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Sherwood, Mrs. Gertrude Decker, Howell, Mich., Oct. 4, 1950.
Shryock, James R., Meadville, Pa., May 16, 1950.
Simons, Joseph, West Hartford, May 2, 1950.
Smeddey, Warren E., Manchester, Jan. 3, 1950.
Smith, Alice Louise, Hartford, Mar. 7, 1950.
Smith, Douglas T., Hartford, Jan. 3, 1950.
Sturges, Harold Merwin, Trumbull, May 2, 1950.
Sturges, Mrs. Laura Ford, Trumbull, May 2, 1950.
Talcott, Mrs. Hilma Lindh, Hartford, Feb. 7, 1950.
Tapley, Loring M., Hartford, May 2, 1950.
Terry, Robert M., Farmington, May 2, 1950.
Thomas, Milton Halsey, Princeton, N. J., July 9, 1949.
Townsend, Charles Delmar, Fort Wayne, Ind., Feb. 7, 1950.
von Schlegell, Abigail, Pasadena, Calif., Feb. 7, 1950.
Wallace, David Wilfred, Harrisburg, Pa., Mar. 7, 1950.
Ward, Ferrari Parker, Hartford, May 2, 1950.
Whiting, Grace, Red Springs, N. C., Oct. 4, 1949.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Abstract of Financial Report of

ALLERTON C. HICKMOTT, *Treasurer*

BALANCE SHEET — APRIL 30, 1950

ASSETS

Investments	
Bonds	\$349,624.07
Stocks	375,202.61
Mortgage Loans	6,740.00
Savings Banks	44,360.94
Cash	29,254.10
Petty Cash	100.00

\$805,281.72

LIABILITIES

Endowment Funds Designated for:	
General Expenses	\$213,094.52
Library	20,599.79
Building and maintenance	502,981.67
Special Funds	
Ancient Vital Records Fund	290.56
Cataloguing Grant	7,179.56
State Appropriation	4,267.32
Brainard Account	1,833.24
Restricted Funds	
Geo. Dudley Seymour Museum Fund	25,471.77
Geo. Dudley Seymour Show Case	541.66
Publication Fund	12,352.95
Anonymous Museum Fund	1,140.70
Hungerford Fund	2,000.00

Plus gain to Consolidated Fund	791,753.74
Income from Trust Funds	6,228.35
Surplus, General Fund	4,047.78
Reserve, Withholding Tax on Salaries	1,066.31
Reserve for portrait restoration	52.60
Reserve for insurance	665.75
Reserve for librarians salary adjustment	545.86
Reserve for office typist	200.00
Reserve, sales tax collected	20.00
Contingency reserve	1.33
	700.00

\$805,281.72

ENDOWMENT FUNDS DESIGNATED FOR GENERAL EXPENSES

	<i>Income</i>	<i>Principal</i>	
Bates Fund	\$30.69	\$1,023.70	
Chapman Fund*	3,363.33	68,500.00	
Coe Fund*	51.55	1,050.00	
Cross Fund*	4.91	100.00	
Fitts Fund*	491.00	10,000.00	
General Fund	618.51	12,278.67	
Goodwin Fund*	981.99	20,000.00	
Henry Fund*	27.01	550.00	
Knight Fund*	392.80	8,000.00	
Hosmer Fund*	245.50	5,000.00	
Maxwell Fund*	245.50	5,000.00	
Miller Fund*	205.35	4,182.43	
Peck Fund*	1,595.75	32,500.00	
Putnam Fund*	11.65	241.24	
Russell Fund*	392.80	8,000.00	
Shepard Fund*	89.23	1,822.07	
Simons Fund*	265.14	5,400.00	
Smith Fund*	49.10	1,000.00	
Stoeckel Fund*	491.00	10,000.00	
Talcott Fund*	299.51	6,100.00	
Tuttle Fund*	491.00	10,000.00	
Waterman Fund*	88.12	2,346.41	
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	\$10,431.44	\$213,094.52	\$213,094.52
Miscellaneous income .	8.00		
Annual dues	1,511.00		
From reserve for special purposes	6.35		
From reserve for Li- brarians salary ad- justment	600.00		
From reserve for insur- ance	264.52		
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Total income ..		\$12,821.31	
GENERAL EXPENSES			
Salaries	\$8,066.50		
Telephone	48.03		
Postage & stationery ..	248.43		

* Funds marked are invested in the Consolidated investment fund, the income from which is apportioned in accordance with the capital amount of the various funds.

Printing	582.30
Library supplies	140.85
Repairs	76.75
Rent, cartage & storage	407.50
Fees	1,094.91
Insurance	264.52
Binding	295.29
Incidentals	90.40
Portrait restoration ...	22.65
Photostats	18.93
Print mats	6.35
Transferred to insur-	
ance reserve	300.00
Transferred to portrait	
restoration reserve ..	200.00
Contingency reserve ..	700.00

Total expense ..	12,563.41
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Gain for year ..	\$257.90
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Transferred from Publication Fund Income for Bulletin	\$655.00
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ENDOWMENT FUNDS DESIGNATED FOR LIBRARY

	<i>Income</i>	<i>Principal</i>
Barbour Fund*	\$28.94	\$596.00
Boardman Fund*	48.31	1,025.53
Brainard Fund*	116.67	2,395.81
Colonial Wars*	11.35	231.25
Hoadly Fund*	166.34	3,463.37
Library-Museum		
Fund*#	6.52	302.50
Mather Fund*	245.50	5,000.00
Morris Fund*	5.89	120.00
Robbins Fund*	323.10	6,580.63
Russell Fund*	12.18	248.00
Welles Fund*	20.52	636.70

\$985.32	\$20,599.79
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\$20,599.79

BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE FUNDS

Hoadley Fund, less purchase price of land ...	\$421,406.10	
Seymour Building Fund	51,910.01	
Seymour Endowment Fund	29,665.56	502,981.67

Established July 1949

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\$791,753.74

VALUE OF LIBRARY,

<i>MUSEUM and FURNISHINGS</i>	\$502,500.00
<i>REAL ESTATE</i> , purchase price	211,770.00

\$1,506,023.74

ALLERTON C. HICKMOTT,
Treasurer.

The account of the Treasurer with securities shown therein has been examined by me and found correct.

CHARLES S. BISSELL,
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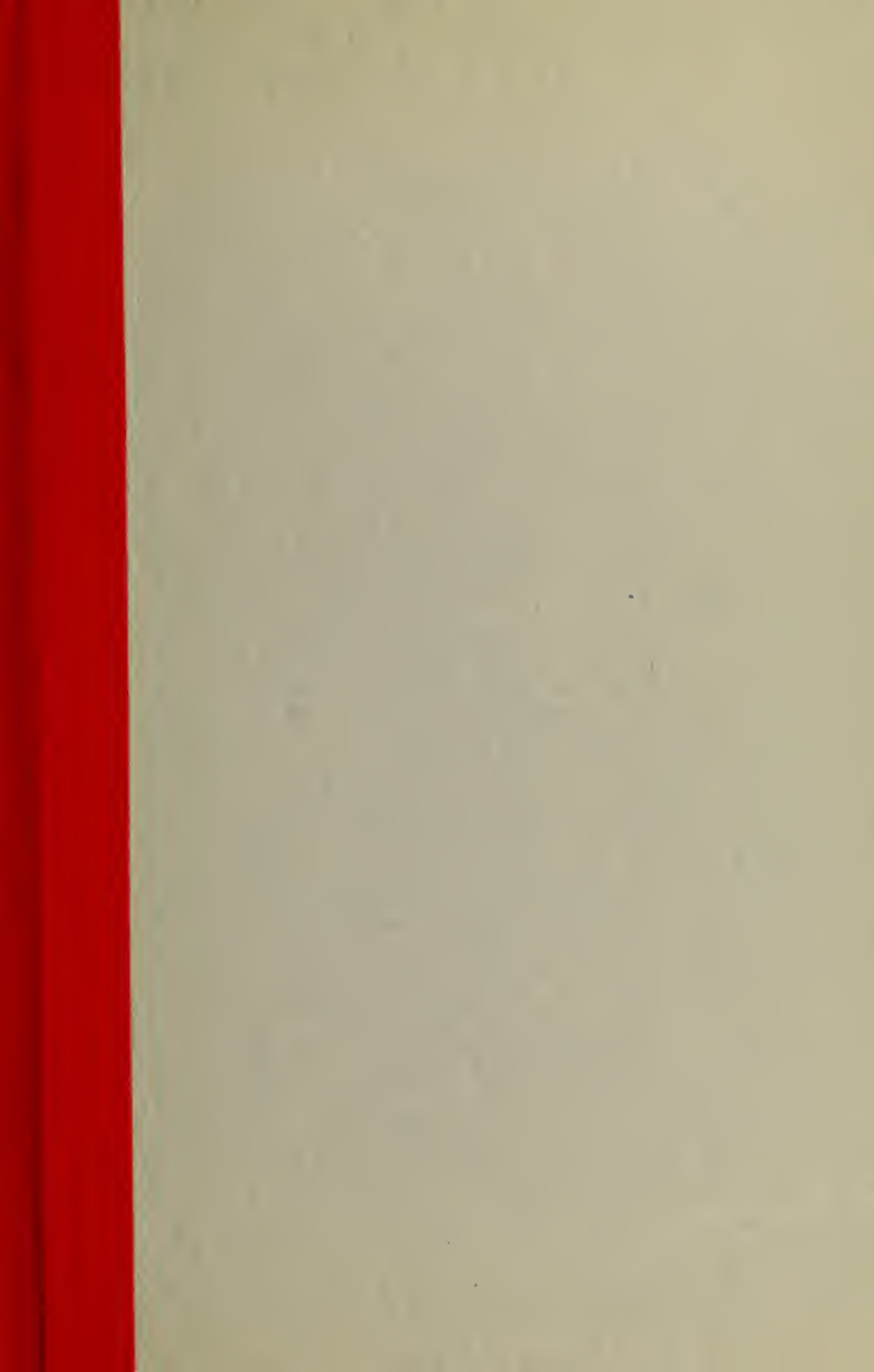
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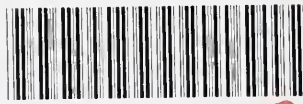
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